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For: COMPOSITE METAL-TO-METAL SEAL HAVING A RELATIVELY SOFT METAL OVERLAY AND A RELATIVELY HARD

**METAL CORE** 

Group Art Unit: 3626

Examiner: V. Patel

Atty. Dkt. No.: LTVA:102/AUC

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R §§ 1.97(g),(h), this Supplemental Information Disclosure

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Disclosure Statement. Therefore, it is believed that no fee is required for consideration of this

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Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be made of record in the present

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